Event Location:
Big Data Hub
Applied Science Building
Burnaby Mountain Campus
Simon Fraser University
*(top of the spiral staircase)*

Event Date & Times:
Oct 13–14, 2017
Starts Friday @ 9:00am
Ends Saturday @ 2:00pm

Plenty of Fish (POF) and the Faculty of Applied Sciences (FAS) are excited to announce a 24-hour hackathon with a chance to win big prizes.

Come hack together a big data app that enhances the conversation (expressiveness and quality) between two people. Other interesting apps could detect conversation sentiment or even protect a person from spam or a scam. Don't have a team? You can join one after project ideas are pitched. Pitch your idea and get others to join you.

Your hack can be any type of app that uses a dataset provided by POF. You can even use data from other open dataset to come up with a creative and innovative app. Please bring your own laptop/computer. Data will be provided once the hackathon begins.

Each team will be given a chance to present their idea and demo their app to other participants and a panel of judges. Judges will score each app on the following criteria: overall presentation and demo, teamwork performance, utilization of data, the app idea, and the app completeness.

The top 3 teams will be given a prize. Prizes are:

- **1st Place:** $3000
- **2nd Place:** $2000
- **3rd Place:** $1000

Winners will be determined and announced after hackathon ends. Prize money will be divided equally amongst all team members. Winners will invited to a special VIP event hosted by POF.

To participate you must currently be an SFU student (undergrad or grad) or postdoc. Registration is open to the first 40 qualified people who register. Click on the URL above or scan the QR Code below to go to the registration website. There is a registration fee of $5 (student ID required). Only cash payments will be accepted (details provided on the registration website).

All main meals and a variety of snacks and drinks will be provided throughout the event.

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Event organized by Dr. Stephen Makonin (Adjunct Professor, Engineering Science). Questions? Email smakonin@sfu.ca.